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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:
Feaster, et al.
Serial No.: 09/848,370
Filed: 4 May 2001
For: Assay for Detecting, Measuring and
Monitoring the Activities and Concentrations
of Proteins and Methods of Use Thereof

Art Unit: 1651
Examiner: Sandra E. Saucier
Atty. Docket: P66820US1 (00-23)

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.312

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Applicants respectfully request that the following amendment be made after the Notice of Allowance mailed 27 October 2003 and before payment of the issue fee and issuance of the above-referenced application. Applicants respectfully submit that the amendment does not contain any statutory new matter and does not present any new issues that need further consideration. On 13 January 2004, Applicants discussed with the Examiner the amendment to claim 41 and addition of method claims which depend from the allowed claims. Entry of this Amendment is respectfully requested.